

PATENT APPLICATION  
Docket No. 15436.249.26

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE **RECEIVED  
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In re application of ) OCT 04 2004  
Kevin Zhang et al. )  
Serial No.: 09/941,474 ) Art Unit  
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Filed: August 28, 2001 )  
Confirmation No.: 8102 )  
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR )  
PRECISION TUNING AN OPTICAL )  
FILTER USING A BALL-END JOINT )  
Examiner: Kevin S. Wood )

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that the shortened statutory period which was set for responding to the Office Action dated May 3, 2004, in the above-identified patent application be extended for two-month until Monday, October 4, 2004.

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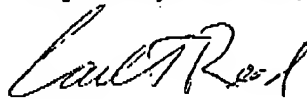
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If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefore and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-3178.

Dated this 4<sup>th</sup> day of October 2004.

Respectfully submitted,



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